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2007/1
Venue and dates of the sixty-third session of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific

The Economic and Social Council,

Having considered the recommendation of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific that the offer of the Government of Kazakhstan to host the sixty-third session of the Commission be accepted,

1. *Expresses its gratitude* to the Government of Kazakhstan for its generous offer;

2. *Approves* the holding of the sixty-third session of the Commission in Almaty, Kazakhstan, from 17 to 23 May 2007.

Decisions

2007/201 A
Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 3rd and 4th meetings on 6 and 9 February 2007, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected **Sri Lanka** to fill a postponed vacancy for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (in 2007) of the Commission's forty-first session and expiring at the close of its forty-fourth session in 2011.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (in 2007) of the Commission's forty-first session and expiring at the close of its forty-fourth session in 2011.

Commission for Social Development

The Council elected **Turkey** to fill a postponed vacancy for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (in 2007) of the Commission's forty-sixth session and expiring at the close of its forty-ninth session in 2011.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Eastern European States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (in 2007) of the Commission's forty-sixth session and expiring at the close of its forty-ninth session in 2011.

Commission on Science and Technology for Development

In accordance with its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006 and its decision 2006/267 of 15 December 2006, the Council elected the following nine Member States for a term beginning on the date of election: **Argentina, Burkina Faso, Chile, Equatorial Guinea, Finland, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Sudan** and **United States of America**.

The Council postponed the election of one member from Eastern European States for a term beginning on the date of election.

The Council drew lots to determine the expiration dates for the terms of the new members. It was thus decided that the following five Member States, **Argentina, Burkina Faso, Philippines, Sudan** and **United States of America**, and a member to be elected from Eastern European States would serve for a term expiring on 31 December 2010; and that the following four Member States would serve for a term expiring on 31 December 2008: **Chile, Equatorial Guinea, Finland** and **Sri Lanka**.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

The Council elected **Brazil** to fill a postponed vacancy for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

The Council further postponed the election of two members from Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2008 and three members from Asian States and two members from Latin American and Caribbean States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The Council elected **Egypt** and **Zimbabwe** to fill postponed vacancies for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

The Council further postponed the election of two members from Eastern European States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

Programme Coordination Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

The Council elected **Sweden** to fill a postponed vacancy for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

The Council further postponed the election of one member from Western European and other States for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected **Argentina, Chile** and the **Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela** to fill postponed vacancies for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2010.

Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission

The Council elected **Luxembourg** to the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 22 June 2008, to fill a vacancy arising from the expiration of Belgium's term as a member of the Council.

2007/201 B
Elections, nominations, confirmations and appointments to subsidiary and related bodies of the Economic and Social Council

At its 10th and 12th plenary meetings on 25 April and 24 May 2007, the Economic and Social Council took the following action with regard to vacancies in its subsidiary and related bodies:

Elections

Statistical Commission

The Council elected the following eight Member States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: **Belarus, Honduras, Lebanon, Lithuania, Oman, Sudan, Togo** and **United States of America**.

Commission on Population and Development

The Council elected the following seven Member States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (held in 2008) of the Commission's forty-second session and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-fifth session in 2012: **Colombia, Croatia, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Tunisia** and **Uganda**.

The Council also elected **Spain** to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Commission for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-fourth session in 2011.

The Council postponed the election of two members from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (held in 2008) of the Commission's forty-second session and expiring at the close of the Commission's forty-fifth session in 2012.

Commission for Social Development

The Council elected the following 15 Member States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (held in 2008) of the Commission's forty-seventh session and expiring at the close of the Commission's fiftieth session in 2012: **Argentina, Armenia, El Salvador, France, Germany, Ghana, Guatemala, Japan, Nigeria, Pakistan, Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sudan** and **United States of America**.

Commission on the Status of Women

The Council elected the following 10 Member States for a four-year term beginning at the first meeting (held in 2008) of the Commission's fifty-third session and expiring at the close of the Commission's fifty-sixth session in 2012: **China, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Eritrea, Haiti, India, Russian Federation, Senegal, Sweden** and **United States of America**.

Commission on Narcotic Drugs

The Council elected the following 31 Member States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: **Argentina, Austria, Botswana, China, Cuba, Czech Republic, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Finland, Germany, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Lithuania, Moldova, Morocco, Netherlands, Pakistan, Peru, Spain, Sudan, Switzerland, Thailand, Trinidad and Tobago, Uganda, United Arab Emirates, United States of America, Uruguay, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)** and **Yemen**.

The Council postponed the election of two members from African States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2008.

Commission on Sustainable Development

The Council elected the following 18 Member States for a three-year term beginning at the first meeting (held in 2008) of the Commission's seventeenth session and expiring at the close of the Commission's nineteenth session in 2011: **Argentina, Bangladesh, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Estonia, Gabon, Germany, Israel, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Malawi, Namibia, Pakistan, Romania, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Uruguay** and **Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)**.

The Council postponed the election of one member from African States and one member from Western European and other States for a three-year term beginning at the first meeting (held in 2008), of the Commission's seventeenth session and expiring at the close of the Commission's nineteenth session in 2011.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

The Council elected the following eight members for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: Simeon Adewale **Adekanye** (Nigeria), Carlos Mamani **Condori** (Bolivia), Paimaneh **Hasteh** (Islamic Republic of Iran), Liliane Muzangi **Mbella** (Democratic Republic of the Congo), A. A. **Nikiforov** (Russian Federation), Xiaomei **Qin** (China), Bartolomé Clavero **Salvador** (Spain) and Carsten **Smith** (Norway).

Pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/22 of 28 July 2000, the President of the Council appointed the following eight members for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: Lars-Anders **Baer** (Sweden), Hassan **Id Balkassm** (Morocco), Elisa **Canqui Mollo** (Bolivia), Michael **Dodson** (Australia), Tonya **Gonnella Frichner** (United States of America), Margaret **Lokawua** (Uganda), Pavel **Sulyandziga** (Russian Federation) and Victoria **Tauli-Corpuz** (Philippines).

Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund

The Council elected the following 11 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: **Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, China, Greece, Haiti, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Japan, Netherlands, Romania, Russian Federation** and **Zimbabwe**.

The Council also elected the following five Member States to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning their seats effective 1 January 2008: **Austria** to complete the term of office of Portugal (expiring 31 December 2009), **Finland** to complete the term of office of Denmark (expiring 31 December 2008), **Germany** to complete the term of office of Ireland (expiring 31 December 2009), **Norway** to complete the term of office of Switzerland (expiring 31 December 2008) and **Spain** to complete the term of office of Turkey (expiring 31 December 2008).

Executive Committee of the Programme of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

The Council elected **Costa Rica** and **Estonia** in accordance with General Assembly resolution 61/136 of 19 December 2006.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund

The Council elected the following 11 Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: **Australia, Azerbaijan, Colombia, Haiti, Ireland, Italy, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Republic of Korea, Slovakia, United Republic of Tanzania** and **United States of America**.

The Council also elected the following five Member States to replace members of the Executive Board who were resigning their seats effective 1 January 2008: **France** to complete the term of office of Germany (expiring 31 December 2009), **Iceland** to complete the term of office of Belgium (expiring 31 December 2008), **Netherlands** to complete the term of office of Greece (expiring 31 December 2009), **Sweden** to complete the term of office of Spain (expiring 31 December 2009) and **Switzerland** to complete the term of office of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (expiring 31 December 2008).

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

The Council elected the following six Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: **Australia, Burundi, Cuba, Norway, Sudan** and **Thailand**.

The Council also elected Belgium for a term beginning on 1 January 2008 and expiring on 31 December 2009 to replace New Zealand, which was resigning its seat on the Executive Board.

Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women

The Council elected **Belarus** and **Slovakia** to fill outstanding vacancies on the Executive Board for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

Committee for the United Nations Population Award

The Council elected **Algeria, Democratic Republic of the Congo** and **United Republic of Tanzania** to fill outstanding vacancies on the Committee for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

Programme Coordination Board of the Joint United Nations Programme on Human Immunodeficiency Virus/Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (HIV/AIDS)

The Council elected the following eight Member States for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: **Ethiopia, Guatemala, India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Mauritania, Monaco, Russian Federation** and **United States of America**.

The Council also elected **Italy** to fill an outstanding vacancy on the Programme Coordination Board for a term beginning on the date of election and expiring on 31 December 2009.

The Council also elected the following three Member States to replace members of the Programme Coordination Board who were resigning their seats: **Luxembourg**, for a term beginning on 1 January 2008 and expiring on 31 December

2009, to complete the term of office of Belgium; **New Zealand**, for a term beginning on 25 April 2007 and expiring on 31 December 2008, to complete the term of office of Australia; **Switzerland**, for a term beginning on 1 July 2007 and expiring on 31 December 2009, to complete the term of office of Sweden.

Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme

The Council elected the following 12 Member States for a four-year term beginning 1 January 2008: **Bahrain, Burkina Faso, Germany, Honduras, India, Kenya, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Sri Lanka, Swaziland** and **Zambia**.

The Council postponed the election of one member from African States, one member from Asian States, two members from Latin American and Caribbean States and three members from Western European and other States for a four-year term beginning on 1 January 2008.

Nominations

Committee for Programme and Coordination

The Council nominated the following seven Member States for election by the General Assembly for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2008: **Bangladesh, China, Jamaica, Kenya, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Niger** and **Republic of Korea**.

2007/202
Date of the special high-level meeting of the Economic and Social Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development

At its 3rd meeting, on 6 February 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided that its special high-level meeting with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development would be held at Headquarters on 16 April 2007.

2007/203
Working arrangements for the substantive session of 2007 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 4th plenary meeting, on 9 February 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided on the following working arrangements for its substantive session of 2007:

(a) The high-level segment would be held from 2 to 5 July 2007;

(b) The dialogue with the Executive Secretaries of the regional commissions would be held on 6 July 2007;

(c) The coordination segment would be held from 6 to 10 July 2007;

(d) The operational activities segment would be held from 10 to 13 July 2007;

(e) The humanitarian affairs segment would be held from 16 to 18 July 2007;

(f) The general segment would be held from 19 to 26 July 2007;

(g) The conclusion of the work of the Council would be held on 27 July 2007.

2007/204
Operational activities segment of the 2007 substantive session of the Council

At its 4th meeting, on 9 February 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided that the work of the operational activities segment of its substantive session of 2007 should be devoted to the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system and the implementation of General Assembly resolution 59/250 of 22 December 2004 and Council resolution 2006/14 of 26 July 2006.

2007/205
Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies: draft annex relating to the World Tourism Organization

At its 4th meeting, on 9 February 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided to further defer its consideration of the draft annex to the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the Specialized Agencies relating to the World Tourism Organization to its substantive session for 2007.

2007/206
Theme for the 2007 thematic discussion of the Council

At its 6th meeting, on 2 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided that the theme for the 2007 thematic discussion would be "Strengthening efforts at all levels to promote pro-poor sustained economic growth, including through equitable macro-economic policies".

2007/207
Theme for the 2007 annual ministerial review of the Council

At its 6th meeting, on 2 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided that the theme for the 2007 annual ministerial review would be "Strengthening efforts to eradicate poverty and hunger, including through the global partnership for development".

2007/208
Provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

At its 6th meeting, on 2 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, as contained in the report of the Commission on its ninth session,[1] and recalling its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, approved the provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of the Commission as set out below:

Provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of the Commission

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

2. Substantive theme: "Promoting the building of a people-centred, development-oriented and inclusive information society, with a view to enhancing digital opportunities for all people".

3. Progress made in the implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the World Summit on the Information Society at the regional and international levels.

   Documentation

   Report of the Secretary-General

4. Implementation of and progress made on decisions taken at the ninth session of the Commission.

   Documentation

   Note by the Secretariat

5. Election of the Chairperson and other officers for the eleventh session of the Commission.

6. Provisional agenda and documentation for the eleventh session of the Commission.

7. Adoption of the report of the Commission on its tenth session.

2007/209
Provisional agenda and documentation for the substantive session of 2007 of the Economic and Social Council

At its 7th meeting, on 15 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed basic programme of work of the Council for 2007 and 2008,[2] approved the following provisional agenda and documentation for its substantive session of 2007, as further orally corrected.

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[1] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2006, Supplement No. 11* (E/2006/31).

[2] See E/2007/1 and Corr.1.

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

2. High-level segment

(a) High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions

Documentation

World Economic and Social Survey 2007 (chap. I) (General Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

(b) Thematic discussion

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 2 (c)) [theme to be selected at the organizational session for 2007]

(c) Annual ministerial review

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 10) [theme to be selected at the organizational session for 2007]

World Economic and Social Survey 2007 (chap. I) (General Assembly resolutions 118 (II) and 52/180 and Council resolution 1983/50)

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its ninth session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1998/46)

[At the 48th meeting of its resumed substantive session for 2006, the Council deferred consideration of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session to its organizational session for 2007 (Council decision 2006/266).]

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

(d) Development Cooperation Forum

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the review and assessment of international economic and development policies and their impact on development — an analytical background report (General Assembly resolution 61/16, para. 7)

Operational activities of the United Nations for the international development cooperation segment

3. Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

(a) Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on comprehensive statistical data on operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 35/81)

Report of the Secretary-General on the triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 59/250, para. 103, and Council resolution 2006/14)

Consolidated list of issues related to the coordination of operational activities (Council resolution 1998/27, para. 4)

(b) Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme

Documentation

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2006 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2007 (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2006 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2007 (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2006 sessions (General Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme (General Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

(c) South-South cooperation for development

Documentation

Report of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation on its fifteenth session (General Assembly resolution 33/134)

Coordination segment

4. The role of the United Nations system in promoting full and productive employment and decent work for all

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 2006/274)

Humanitarian affairs segment

5. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress made in strengthening the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 61/134 and Council resolution 2006/5)

Report of the Secretary-General on the detailed use of the Central Emergency Response Fund (General Assembly resolution 61/134)

Report of the Secretary-General on strengthening emergency relief, rehabilitation, reconstruction and prevention in the aftermath of the Indian Ocean tsunami disaster (General Assembly resolution 61/132)

General segment

6. Implementation of and follow-up to major international United Nations conferences and summits

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265 (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 8, 13 and 14)

(a) Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

Documentation

Summary by the President of the Council of the special high-level meeting of the Council with the Bretton Woods institutions, the World Trade Organization and the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (General Assembly resolution 58/230 and Council resolution 2006/45)

(b) Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

Documentation

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (General Assembly resolution 61/1 and Council resolution 2006/41)

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Committee on World Food Security (Council resolution 1999/212)

7. Coordination, programme and other questions

(a) Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-seventh session (Council resolution 2008 (LX))

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2006 (Council decision 2001/321)

(b) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2008-2009 (General Assembly resolution 58/269 and Council resolution 1988/77)

(c) International cooperation in the field of informatics

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on action taken to follow up on the need to harmonize and improve United Nations informatics systems for optimal utilization and accessibility by all States, including the findings of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics and an assessment of its work and mandate (Council resolution 2006/35)

(d) Long-term programme of support for Haiti

Documentation

Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Haiti (Council resolution 2006/10)

(e) Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assessment of progress in gender mainstreaming in the policies and programmes of the United Nations system focusing on training and capacity development (General Assembly resolution 61/145 and Council resolutions 2006/9 and 2006/36) (see also item 14 (a))

(f) Information and Communication Technologies Task Force

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the activities of the Global Alliance for Information and Communication Technologies and Development (Council decision 2006/251)

(g) Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict

Documentation

Report of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on Guinea-Bissau (Council resolution 2006/11)

(h) Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

Documentation

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Director of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) (Council resolution 2005/47)

(i) Calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields

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Draft calendar of conferences and meetings in the economic, social and related fields for 2008 and 2009 (Council decision 52 (LVII))

8. Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265

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Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265 (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 6, 13 and 14)

9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (General Assembly resolution 61/135 and Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))

Report of the President of the Council on consultations held with the Chairman of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (Council resolution 2006/37)

Report of the Secretary-General on support to Non-Self-Governing Territories by the specialized agencies and international institutions associated with the United Nations (Council resolution 2006/37)

10. Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1979/1)

Economic trends as well as risks and opportunities for the economies in the Economic Commission for Europe region

Overview of the *Economic Report on Africa 2007*

Summary of the *Economic and Social Survey of Asia and the Pacific 2007*

Latin America and the Caribbean: economic situation and outlook, 2006-2007

Summary of the survey of economic and social developments in the Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia region, 2006-2007

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretaries of the Economic Commission for Africa and the Economic Commission for Europe on the project for a Europe-Africa fixed link through the Strait of Gibraltar (Council resolution 2005/34)

11. Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of Council resolution 2006/43

12. Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decisions 1995/304 and 2006/226)

13. Economic and environmental questions

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits, in the light of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265 (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 6, 8 and 14)

(a) Sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its fifteenth session (Council decisions 1993/207 and 2006/228)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its ninth session (Council resolutions 1079 (XXXIX) and 1998/46) [recommendation 1 contained in the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session[3] was deferred for consideration by the Council at its organizational session for 2007 (decision 2006/265)]

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Public-Private Alliance for Rural Development (Council resolution 2005/42)

(b) Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its tenth session (General Assembly resolutions 46/235, annex, and 56/182) [the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session[1] was deferred for further consideration by the Council at its organizational session for 2007 (decision 2006/268)]

(c) Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-eighth session (Council resolutions 8 (I), 8 (II) and 1566 (L) and Council decision 2006/232)

(d) Human settlements

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda (Council decision 2006/247)

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat) (General Assembly resolution 56/206)

(e) Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-fourth regular session (General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII), 53/242 and 61/205)

Report of the Secretary-General on protection against products harmful to health and the environment (General Assembly resolution 39/229 and Council resolution 2004/55)

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[3] *Official Records of the Economic and Social Council, 2006, Supplement No. 13* (E/2006/33).

(f) Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its fortieth session (General Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 2006/233)

(g) Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its sixth session (Council resolution 2006/47)

(h) International cooperation in tax matters

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its second session (Council resolution 2006/48)

(i) United Nations Forum on Forests

Documentation

Report of the United Nations Forum on Forests on its seventh session (Council resolution 2000/35 and Council decision 2006/255)

(j) Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(k) Cartography

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the seventeenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific, Bangkok, 18 to 22 September 2006 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV) and Council decision 2004/304)

(l) Women and development

Documentation

Relevant sections of the report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-first session (General Assembly resolution 42/178 and Council resolution 1987/24)

(m) Transport of dangerous goods

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (Council resolution 2005/53)

14. Social and human rights questions

Documentation

Updated report of the Secretary-General on the role of the Economic and Social Council in the integrated and coordinated implementation of the outcomes of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits in the implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B and 60/265 (Council resolution 2006/44) (see also items 6, 8 and 13)

(a) Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-first session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI) and Council decision 2006/235)

Report of the Secretary-General on assessment of progress in gender mainstreaming in the policies and programmes of the United Nations system focusing on training and capacity development (General Assembly resolution 61/145 and Council resolutions 2006/9 and 2006/36) (see also item 7 (e))

Results of the thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth sessions of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women: note by the Secretary-General

Report of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

(b) Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-fifth session (Council resolution 10 (III) and Council decision 2006/238)

Report of the Secretary-General on "Youth in the global economy" of the World Programme of Action for Youth to the Year 2000 and Beyond (Council resolution 2006/15)

(c) Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its sixteenth session (Council resolution 1992/1 and Council decision 2006/239)

(d) Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fiftieth session (Council resolution 9 (I) and Council decision 2006/241)

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

(e) United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Documentation

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 58/153)

(f) Comprehensive implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action

Documentation

No request for advance documentation

(g) Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (Assembly resolution 48/141)

(h) Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its sixth session (Council resolution 2000/22 and Council decision 2006/272)

(i) Genetic privacy and non-discrimination

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on genetic privacy and non-discrimination (Council resolution 2004/9)

15. United Nations research and training institutes

Documentation

Report of the United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy (Assembly resolution 60/214)

2007/210
Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 2008

At its 7th meeting, on 15 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council took note of the list of questions for inclusion in the programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 2008.[2]

Substantive session of 2008

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters

A. High-level segment

High-level policy dialogue with international financial and trade institutions

Documentation

World Economic and Social Survey 2007

Thematic discussion

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme [theme to be selected]

Annual ministerial review

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme [theme to be selected]

World Economic and Social Survey 2008

Relevant part of the report of the Committee for Development Policy on its tenth session

Relevant part of the report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 2004/323)

Development Cooperation Forum

B. Operational activities of the United Nations for the international development cooperation segment

Operational activities of the United Nations for international development cooperation

[Theme/themes to be selected]

Follow-up to policy recommendations of the General Assembly and the Council

Reports of the Executive Boards of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Children's Fund and the World Food Programme

Documentation

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/ United Nations Population Fund on its second regular session of 2007 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2008 (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme and the Executive Director of the United Nations Population Fund (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Reports of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund on its second regular session of 2007 and on its first regular session and annual session of 2008 (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the United Nations Children's Fund (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Report of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme on its 2007 sessions (Assembly resolutions 48/162, annex, and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

Annual report of the Executive Director of the World Food Programme (Assembly resolutions 50/8 and 59/250 and Council resolution 1995/51)

C. Coordination segment

Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the theme [theme to be selected]

D. Humanitarian affairs segment

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

E. General segment

Implementation of and follow-up to the major United Nations conferences and summits

Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

Review and coordination of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010

Documentation

Annual progress report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the Decade 2001-2010 (Assembly resolution 61/1 and Council decision 2001/320)

Coordination, programme and other questions

Reports of coordination bodies

Documentation

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its forty-eighth session

Annual overview report of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Coordination for 2007

Proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2008-2009

Documentation

Relevant sections of the proposed strategic framework for the biennium 2008-2009 (General Assembly resolution 58/269)

Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

Ad hoc advisory groups on African countries emerging from conflict

Tobacco or health

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the work of the Ad Hoc Inter-Agency Task Force on Tobacco Control (Council decision 2006/248)

Report of the Secretary-General on smoke-free United Nations premises (Council resolution 2006/42)

Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, and 57/270 B and 60/265

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (Council resolution 2100 (LXIII))

Regional cooperation

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General (Council decision 1979/1)

Summaries of the surveys of economic conditions in the five regions prepared by the regional commissions (Council resolution 1724 (LIII))

Economic and social repercussions of the Israeli occupation on the living conditions of the Palestinian people in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, including East Jerusalem, and the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General

Non-governmental organizations

Documentation

Report of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (Council resolutions 3 (II) and 1996/31 and Council decision 1995/304)

Economic and environmental questions

Sustainable development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its sixteenth session (Council decision 1993/207)

Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its tenth session (Council resolution 1079 (XXXIX))

Science and technology for development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its eleventh session (General Assembly resolution 46/235, annex)

Statistics

Documentation

Report of the Statistical Commission on its thirty-ninth session (Council resolutions 1768 (LIV) and 1999/8)

Human settlements

Documentation

Report of the Secretary-General on the coordinated implementation of the Habitat Agenda

Environment

Documentation

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its tenth special session (General Assembly resolutions 2997 (XXVII) and 53/242)

Population and development

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Population and Development on its forty-first session (General Assembly resolution 49/128 and Council decision 1995/209)

Public administration and development

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration on its seventh session (Council resolutions 2001/45 and 2003/60)

International cooperation in tax matters

Documentation

Report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters on its third session (Council resolution 2004/69)

Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions

Cartography

Documentation

Report of the ninth United Nations Conference on the Standardization of Geographical Names, New York, 21-30 August 2007 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

Report of the twenty-fourth session of the United Nations Group of Experts on Geographical Names, New York, 20 and 31 August 2007 (Council resolutions 715 A (XXVII) and 1314 (XLIV))

Women and development

Social and human rights questions

Advancement of women

Documentation

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its fifty-second session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (XLI))

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women)

Report of the Executive Board of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

Social development

Documentation

Report of the Commission for Social Development on its forty-sixth session (Council resolutions 10 (III) and 1996/7)

Crime prevention and criminal justice

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its seventeenth session (Council resolution 1992/1)

Narcotic drugs

Documentation

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its fifty-first session (Council resolution 9 (I))

Report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961; article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971; and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

Oral report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (General Assembly resolution 58/153)

Human rights

Documentation

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights)

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (General Assembly resolution 48/141)

Biennial report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (General Assembly resolution 44/25, annex)

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Documentation

Report of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues on its seventh session (Council resolution 2000/22)

2007/211
Theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2007 substantive session of the Council

At its 7th meeting, on 15 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided that the theme for the humanitarian affairs segment of its substantive session of 2007 would be "Strengthening of the coordination of United Nations humanitarian assistance through enhancing the effectiveness of needs-based humanitarian assistance" and that it would convene two panels, the topics of which would be "The use of military assets in natural disaster relief" and "Needs-based humanitarian financing, including the Central Emergency Response Fund".

2007/212
Report of the Committee for Development Policy on its eighth session

At its 7th meeting, on 15 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council, in pursuance of its decision 2006/266 of 15 December 2006,

(a) Requested the Committee for Development Policy to invite Samoa to present its case to the Committee at its ninth session in 2007;

(b) Also requested the Committee for Development Policy to examine the issues raised by Samoa and to submit a report containing its recommendations for the consideration of the Council.

2007/213
Promoting an integrated approach to rural development in developing countries for poverty eradication and sustainable development

At its 7th meeting, on 15 March 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided to include a discussion on promoting an integrated approach to rural development in developing countries for poverty eradication and sustainable development as part of the work of its substantive session of 2008.

2007/214
Economic and Social Council event to discuss relief to development

At its 11th meeting, on 26 April 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided, with regard to the event to discuss relief to development, to be held on the afternoon of 13 July 2007, that:

(a) The title of the event will be "Economic and Social Council event to discuss relief to development";

(b) The event will be an informal half-day activity;

(c) There will be no negotiated outcome.

2007/215
Participation of non-governmental organizations and civil society entities in the tenth and eleventh sessions of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

At its 11th meeting, on 26 April 2007, the Economic and Social Council, recalling paragraph 15 (a) of its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, entitled "Follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society and review of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development", decided that, pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996, non-governmental organizations and civil society entities that are not in consultative status with the Council but which have received accreditation to the World Summit on the Information Society may participate, on an exceptional basis and without prejudice to the established rules of the United Nations, in the next two meetings of the Commission, this provision being based on the understanding that, in the meantime, the said organizations and entities would apply for consultative status with the Council in accordance with existing rules and procedures and that, in accordance with Council resolution 1996/31, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations would be invited to consider such applications, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the United Nations, as expeditiously as possible.

2007/216
Participation of business sector entities, including the private sector, in the work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

At its 11th meeting, on 26 April 2007, the Economic and Social Council, recalling paragraphs 14, 15 (b) and 16 of its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, entitled "Follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society and review of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development":

(a) Decided that, on an exceptional basis, without prejudice to existing rules of procedure, business sector entities, including the private sector, accredited to the World Summit on the Information Society may participate in the work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Council;

(b) Requested the secretariat of the Commission to propose to the Council lists of business sector entities, including the private sector, not accredited to the World Summit on the Information Society that have expressed the wish to participate in the work of the Commission, for consideration and approval by the Council in a timely manner, to enable them to participate, on an exceptional basis, in the work of the Commission in accordance with the rules of procedure of the Council;

(c) Decided that, until otherwise decided by the Council, the special arrangement set out in paragraph 15 (b) of Council resolution 2006/46 and paragraph (b) above should apply to decision-making with regard to participation of business sector entities, including the private sector, not accredited to the World Summit on the Information Society that may in the future express the wish to participate in the work of the Commission;

(d) Emphasized that decision 2007/216 of 26 April 2007 was taken on an exceptional basis, without prejudice to the established rules of procedure of the United Nations, in particular the provisions of Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996 concerning the accreditation and participation of non-governmental organizations and other major groups in the work of the Council and its subsidiary bodies, and that it should not be construed as a precedent;

(e) Decided to review, in 2010, the list and modalities of participation of business sector entities, including the private sector, in the work of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development.

2007/217
Theme for the item on regional cooperation of the 2007 substantive session of the Council

At its 11th meeting, on 26 April 2007, the Economic and Social Council decided that the theme for the item on regional cooperation of the 2007 substantive

session of the Council would be "Regional aspects of the themes of the high-level segment[4] of the Economic and Social Council's 2007 substantive session".

2007/218
Report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session

At its 12th meeting, on 24 May 2007, the Economic and Social Council, recalling its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, entitled "Follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society and review of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development", and its decision 2007/208 of 2 March 2007, containing the provisional agenda and documentation for the tenth session of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development, took note of the report of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development on its ninth session,[1] and encouraged the Commission to continue, within its mandate and agenda, its consideration of such matters.

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[4] Theme for the thematic discussion: "Strengthening efforts at all levels to promote pro-poor sustained economic growth, including through equitable macroeconomic policies"; and theme for the annual ministerial review: "Strengthening efforts to eradicate poverty and hunger, including through the global partnership for development".